Sanitized Copy Approved for Release 2009/11/30 : CIA-RDP87M00539R000500600052-1 **Executive Registry** Central Intelligence A 85cy 20 Washington, D.C. 2050 21 May 1985 **Executive Director** NOTE FOR: D/ICS SUBJECT : SSCI's National Intelligence Strategy I believe Jim discussed this subject with you at the staff meeting this morning before he left on his trip. Thought you might like a copy of the package he sent forward. Object here was to respond quickly. If DCI signs Attachment C, expect whole problem will go over to you.

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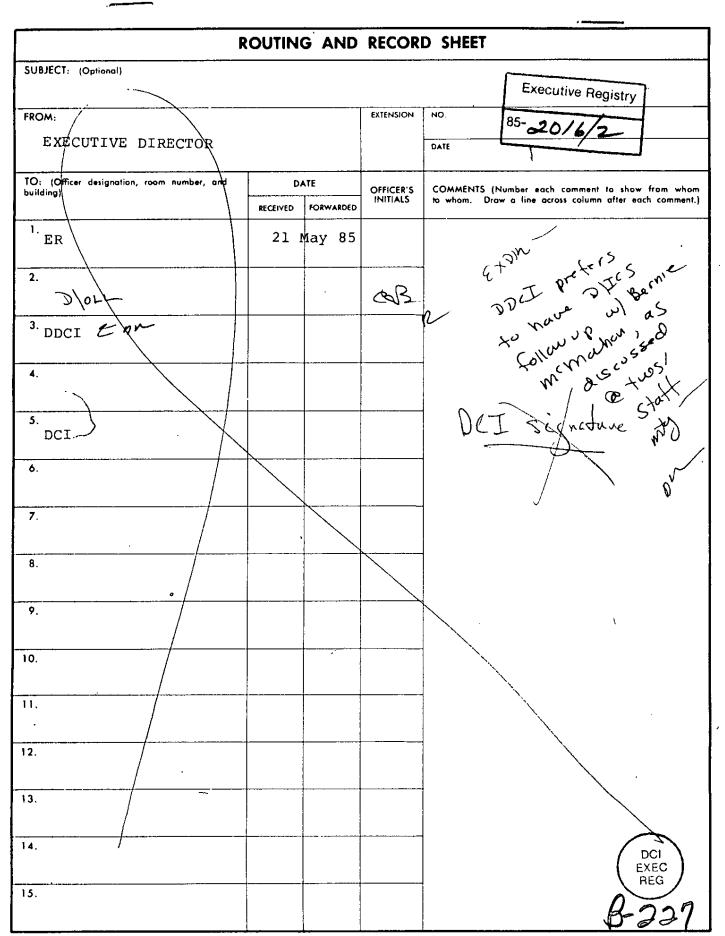
- 1. Bob Gates led a discussion at our Friday morning meeting with the Deputies re your interest in trying to get out front with respect to Senator Durenberger's proposed hearings on a national intelligence strategy, and on possible additional steps to improve security and personnel policies (Tab A). As you probably know, we now have a letter from Durenberger to you (Tab B) stating that he plans to start the process of working out such a strategy. Since this must be a community affair, ultimately the IC Staff needs to coordinate the overall effort. We obviously stand ready to support that in any necessary way. I would propose to be the focal point for the support needed within CIA.
- 2. Since Senator Durenberger has obviously put the train in motion and seems to have specific ideas on what he wants to do, I am not sure we know how to get out in front of it. My best suggestion at the moment would be for you to respond quickly to Durenberger's letter, saying that we think he has constructive ideas and we stand ready to work with him to support them. A suggested draft is attached at Tab C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: DDI

FROM:

DCI

Bob:

This relates to the work I asked you to do the other day on an intelligence strategy which could be used in responding to this letter.

William J. Casey

Attachment:

Ltr to DCI, dtd 10 May 85, from Senator Dave Durenberger

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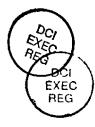
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Developing an intelligence strategy will not be easy. Experience with defense decisionmaking shows that the process can be expected to evolve over several years. In the process, we will be working closely with you, as well as other key decisionmakers in government and non-governmental experts, to insure our effort will be of signal benefit to the national intelligence process for years to come.

Dave Duranberger

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